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"And they cried, The Sword of the Lord, and of Gideon." Judges 7:20

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## NIGHT SHIFT

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"And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed. And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled. But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here. Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas. And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house. And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway. And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house."—Acts 16:25-34.

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."—John 3:14-18.

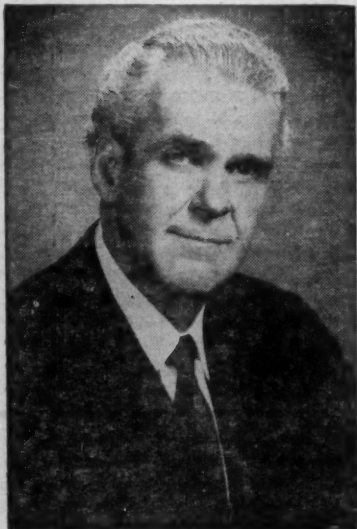
The Bible has many wonderful night scenes. It was nighttime when Gideon took his three hundred men and, by the strategy given him by the Lord, put to flight the Midianites. It was nighttime when God delivered His people from Egyptian bondage. It was nighttime when Nicodemus came to the Lord Jesus and asked Him a very pertinent question and received a positive answer. It was nighttime, midnight, when Paul and Silas prayed and sang praises in the jail in Philippi. It was nighttime!

I want you to see the picture as given in Acts 16.

### I. Here Is a Depressing Scene

"And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat them. And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely: Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks"—Acts 16:22-24.

This is a depressing scene! All this took place in the night hours. The jailer, after agreeing with the beating, put them in the inner prison and made their feet fast in the stocks.



Dr. Lee Roberson

I want you to think of the depressing scenes of life. Think, if you will, of those depressing scenes of illness, where we stand by bedsides and hear the last cry

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## How Herod Lost His Soul

By H. A. Ironside, D.D., Litt.D.  
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"For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, for to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done."—Acts 4:27, 28.

The names of Herod and Pontius Pilate are intimately linked together in the mock trial of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Ghost mentions them in one verse in the book of Acts. God permitted them to go only as far as He Himself had predetermined, but their names are

### Joined in Eternal Infamy.

They both had marvellous opportunities, such as possibly few men ever had, of meeting the Lord Jesus Christ face to face, and yet they lost their souls. Of Herod we read in the sixth chapter of Mark, verse 20, "For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man, and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly." That certainly sounds encouraging, and yet the last record we have in Holy Scripture of that man is given in Luke 23:7-12:

"And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time. And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him. And Herod with his men of war set at naught, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him

again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves."

The casual reader of the New Testament generally has some difficulty in distinguishing between

### The Various Herods

who are mentioned in the records. The Herod who issued the decree to destroy the young children of Bethlehem was an altogether different Herod from this one. That was Herod the Great. He died about the year our Lord was born, very shortly after the slaughter of the babes of Bethlehem. He was a monster of iniquity. Augustus Caesar said of him, after hearing of the slaughter of Herod's own sons at the command of their cruel father, "Better to be Herod's hog than Herod's son."

The early Christians had a tradition, which may or may not be true, that when that fatal command went forth to destroy all the male children of Bethlehem two years of age and under, in the hope of destroying the Lord Jesus



By Dr. John R. Rice

(A radio message)

"And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. But when he saw the multitude, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."—Matthew 9:35-38.

Now the Lord Jesus was touring Palestine early in His ministry, and He went from city to city and village to village healing the sick. When He saw the great multitudes, His heart was so moved with compassion that He made this famous comment and gave this heartening appeal to Christians: "Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send forth labourers into the harvest. The harvest is so plenteous. So much needs to be done. So many need to be won. Pray the Lord to send labourers into His harvest."

May God help us to understand

something of what it means to have the compassion of the Lord Jesus and, like Him, be concerned about people and have the power of God in doing what we should do.

Consider, first, a wonderful truth here. With Jesus, healing was not enough. Teaching was not enough. It was true Jesus went about healing and teaching. It is rather amazing and unusual that in this case, Jesus healed everyone. The Scripture says, "... healing every sickness and every disease among the people." That

was not usually true, even with the Lord Jesus. It was not true of Old Testament prophets. Elijah raised the widow's son. So did Elisha raise from the dead, and there are a few other such cases. Paul evidently raised only one—the young man who fell from a third-story window and was killed during Paul's preaching. And God used Peter to raise Dorcas; but no more. Healing was not universal in any case. You would have to say that even in this case it was only a relative healing, for these people died later on. They were temporarily restored to health, but not to perfect health, such as we will have in the wonderful kingdom of God, and not like Adam and Eve had in the Garden of Eden. So it is surprising to hear that Jesus healed every sickness, every disease among the people on this tour.

I can understand that He had compassion on people with their troubles. This Scripture shows us that when all this was done, when He had healed such a great group of people and taught them the Word of God, He said, "That is not enough. They are still lost." A man is lost as much when he is well as when he is sick. He is as much a lost sinner going to Hell when he is taught as when he is untaught.

Then the Scripture puts in a "but" there: "But when he saw the multitude, he was moved with compassion on them." And He said, "Pray the Lord of the harvest..." The teaching and healing were not enough then.

Sometimes people ask, "Brother Rice, haven't you had some wonderful answers to prayer about healing?" Yes. I saw God raise up my father after the doctor said he would not live to see daylight. I saw God raise my daughter Grace, heal her in one day, when she had a fever of 105° and diphtheria. After much prayer, in a few hours there was no sign of diphtheria, the fever was gone, and the quarantine was lifted. A woman who came home to die with tuberculosis after two years in a hospital was wonderfully, miraculously, instantly healed. Now after nearly thirty years that woman is still in fine health. God heard prayer and raised her up. I know God has done some miracles of healing, but healing is not enough.

"Don't you think you would do well to spend more time on that?" another may ask. No. I pray for people in trouble—any kind of trouble. I pray for the sick. But that is not enough. That is only incidental. One trouble with the so-called healing movement, the so-called healing evangelists, is they put emphasis on the body instead of the soul, on time instead of eternity, on the less instead of the greater. Jesus here said, "I healed them. I did



Dr. H. A. Ironside

Christ who was looked upon as a possible rival to the throne, the soldiers did their dreadful business so well that they slew Herod's favorite grandson, the only child that monster loved.

He passed off the scene and this Herod, of whom we are speaking, was one of his sons. His name was Herod Antipas. He is not the same Herod as the one of whom we read in Acts who was saluted as a god, and then was eaten by worms. That was Herod Agrippa I. The Agrippa before whom the Apostle Paul presented the Gospel message was a son of this man.

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(Dictated Sunday, July 9)

The editor has been traveling. On Friday night, June 30, we closed the tri-county tent campaign at Corydon, Iowa, and there good pastors Bill Whitaker and Davis Brown drove me eighteen miles north to catch the Burlington Railroad at Chariton. There I waited till 1:40 a. m. (2:40 by the Wheaton daylight time) to catch a train; got about four and a half hours' sleep on the train. Workers met me at Aurora; I was in the office by 9:30 Saturday morning and a few minutes past ten I was in the radio studio at Glen Ellyn preaching two sermons for "Voice of Revival" broadcast.

I had hasty visits with Joy and Roger, Joanna and Bill, Libby and Walt, Mary Lloyds and Chuck. The other daughters and sons-in-law were out of town. Jessie and Sandy were helping in the Free Church camp in Wisconsin, and Grace and her babies had left Saturday morning in the car with Mrs. Rice and Bud Lyles for the Bill Rice Ranch, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. (Bud and Mrs. Rice had driven home on Thursday night, had one day in Wheaton before leaving early Saturday for the ranch.) Then I caught a plane at 6:45 p. m. for Indianapolis, worked till past midnight on the new book on soul winning, and Sunday spoke twice in the Indianapolis Baptist Temple and once at the Calvary Baptist Church at Connersville, sixty miles away. Then back to my hotel in Indianapolis and an early plane flight to Nashville, and the week at the Bill Rice Ranch.

Saturday I flew to Winston-Salem where I am speaking at a big conference at Urban Street Baptist Church. There I preached this morning, Sunday, at 11:00 and this afternoon at 2:45 and will speak again tonight. Then tomorrow morning I fly to Atlanta and will be speaking three times daily at a camp meeting at Camp Cameron near Smyrna, twenty miles southeast of Atlanta, for the week. Then Atlanta Youth for Christ on Saturday night; services in two Atlanta churches on Sunday and home Monday, July 17.

I have been on the go very strenuously for five weeks; am a little tired but well and happy in the Lord. Praise the Lord for a twelve-year-old boy I won this morning!

### Three Great Churches

It has been a special blessing these last two Sundays to speak in three churches unusually blessed of God, all fundamental, premillennial independent Baptist churches.

Sunday morning, July 2, I preached with my friend, Rev. Greg Dixon, pastor of the Indianapolis Baptist Temple, in their magnificent auditorium. They had been running about a thousand in Sunday School until vacation season, and this summer running eight or nine hundred in attendance in Sunday School. They have had 280 additions already this first half of the year and are baptizing converts regularly. It was a joy to be with this greatly blessed young preacher who in fourteen years has built a marvelous and influential work and has tremendous plans for the future.

On Sunday night Brother Layman took me sixty miles to Connersville where it was a joy to speak for Rev. Herbert Fitzpatrick, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church. They have been running over eleven hundred in Sunday School; have had many saved this year. The fellowship was very sweet.

We had, I think, eight or ten to come forward Sunday morning, some for salvation, some for reclamation or church membership. There were three adults who came forward Sunday night at Connersville. Brother Layman and family drove me to Connersville and back to the hotel in Indianapolis and we had sweet fellowship and a root beer on the road home!

And now last night and today, July 8 and 9, I am speaking for Rev. Elmo Renegar, pastor of the Urban Street Baptist Church. They have run over nine hundred in Sunday School attendance the last few Sundays. They have been in their new auditorium a month or two and now must plan for further educational buildings. Many people are saved in this greatly blessed ministry. During these past eight days some twenty preachers have preached in a conference at the Urban Street Church. Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., began it; Dr. Fred Garland, our beloved friend and fervent brother, has been general promoter for the conference. It was good to have fellowship with Dr. Charles Weigle, evangelist and song writer, who has been preaching some and singing in each service, although eighty-nine years old. It was good to hear also Dr. Harold Sightler of Greenville, who is on the Sword of the Lord Board. We heard fine words about the messages by Rev. Robert Gray of Jacksonville, Florida, and Rev. Ford Porter of Indianapolis, also long-time friends and helpers.

Thank God that all over America He is raising up strong Baptist churches, independent in the sense that they have their own mission-

ary programs, are not necessarily subject to any denominational overlordship, and co-operate as they like with some of the freer and more fundamental groups of Baptists.

### Bill Rice Ranch—Soul-Winning Center

We had a blessed conference at the Bill Rice Ranch, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, July 2-7. Every bed was filled, some people used eight rooms in the new motel, the part that had the roof on it; some of us stayed with my sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Nutting; others stayed in nearby motels and hotels, and many had to be turned away because no place could be found for them. Strong preaching by Dr. Lee Roberson, Dr. Bill Rice, Dr. Jack Hyles, and Evangelist Walt Handford, and fine music led by Evangelist Bud Lyles and Mrs. Grace Rice MacMullen were all greatly blessed of God, and it was my joy to speak seven times also in the conference. Some twenty-odd people were won to Christ in personal work during the week, and one lady was saved and her husband renewed holy vows to serve the Lord in the closing services.

This week and next this camp will be crowded with deaf young people from all over America. One bus load of seventeen arrived Saturday morning before I left. Brother Bill estimates that perhaps four hundred deaf young people will be on the ranch in the two or three weeks devoted to deaf conferences this summer and surely, many, many of them will be saved, as is the case every summer.

What a center of soul-winning work! I suggest that those who want to keep up with this fine work and learn about the marvelous ministry in winning deaf people to Christ as well as the emphasis on soul winning and the blessing to preachers and young people and others, send \$1.00 to Dr. Bill Rice, Bill Rice Ranch, Franklin Road, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, to subscribe to the little monthly magazine, *The Branding Iron*, which has Bill Rice's little cowboy sermons, interesting facts about the ranch, and is heartwarming and delightful.

This work deserves the support of godly people everywhere. It may be your church could get ready a truck load or a trailer load of beds and springs, tables and chairs, and dressers or chests for the new motel rooms now being completed. There is great need here. In other places somebody could give a cow or calf or a horse or saddles or bridles. During the summer a beef is killed every five days to feed the hungry multitudes. And remember that the hundreds of deaf people are brought on a missionary basis free, and their needs must be supplied by those who love the Lord.

Eighteen units of the new motel will be ready for the Sword Family Conference August 21-27 and, God willing, another eighteen rooms will be built before next year, and the new steel building will be erected, etc.

The dining hall is being completed, the large terrace has been built and the roof put over it and a snack shop and rest rooms built thereon. There are tables for ping-pong and other games, and an overflow for the big cafeteria-style dining hall. Please pray about the great soul-winning work centering in the Bill Rice Ranch, Murfreesboro.

### Get Ready—Sword Conference August 21-27

Two years ago, after thirteen or fourteen years of having the largest conferences of the year, with more preachers, with more people saved, with people coming from more states than any other conference held there, leaders at the LeTourneau Conference at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia, decided they would not invite us back. Pressure was brought by the Billy Graham group and Southern Baptists. I fear that it was a mistake for the conference ground. Southern Baptists certainly will not patronize that conference ground to any large extent when Ridgecrest, North Carolina, is nearby.

But it now turns out God meant that for good. This year at the

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## INCIDENTS

and Illustrations

by Evangelist Robert L. Sumner  
Contributing Editor

### Gambling With Destiny

Two similar incidents came to my attention recently on almost the same day. One had to do with a 21-year-old man from Castle Rock, Minnesota, who tried to beat a Minneapolis, Northfield & Southern freight train to a crossing and was killed when he did not succeed. Since the victim, Gary Frederickson, was an avid basketball fan, authorities surmised he was in such a hurry to get home to watch the state basketball tournament—which was being televised—that he did not want to wait for the train, tried to beat it—and lost!

The other incident told how 16-year-old Margie Ganger was fatally burned to death when her home in Summit, New Jersey, was consumed by fire. The irony in the incident was that Margie had been earlier rescued from the blaze, only to run back into the flaming house to get \$35 her father had previously given her to buy Easter clothes.

One gambled his life against 5 minutes' worth of basketball on TV; the other gambled her life against \$35 worth of new clothing. Both lost! Foolish? Exceedingly so! But no more so than the individual who gambles with his soul on having another opportunity to be saved, no matter the fancied reason for so doing.

Consider again the wise words of warning from the Son of God: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness . . . For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matt. 6:33; 16:26).

### Signs of the Times

When Henry Cabot Lodge was the American delegate to the United Nations, he spent only \$12,954 of his \$17,000 entertainment allowance. (Note: A "representation allowance" for diplomats is what a business man calls his "entertainment expense account" and a big percentage of it usually goes for liquor!) Now that Adlai Stevenson has taken Lodge's place, our State Department has requested that the representation allowance be increased to \$30,000.

Why? This may or may not prove that Democrats are thirstier than Republicans, but one thing is certain: somebody needs a reminder that the Word of God warns: "It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted" (Prov. 31:4, 5).

## It Makes Good Christians

We take the liberty of printing here a letter without the name, because the letter is such a comfort and encouragement to us.

"My husband is sitting here reading THE SWORD and we've been discussing 'Divine Healing'."

"We've been intending to write you for sometime and shame, we just now took to it. We want you to know we love you and often talk about the future stars in your crown. Although we are a young married couple starting out, we long for the Lord's coming."

"Your life has been an inspiration to my husband. When he was debating whether we could afford THE SWORD this year having added a little girl to our household, I told my angel of a husband that we could and that if the paper made him the man he is, it was a must. Also, Jessie expresses my feeling which I cannot express. These experiences are so real, so near our own house."

"May the Lord bless thee and keep thee. May He make His face to shine upon thee . . . And give thee peace."

### Who's Happy in Hollywood?

Walter Winchell reported the following conversation between Marilyn Monroe and Patsy D'Amore, one of the chief executives of a Hollywood restaurant known as *The Villa Capri*:

"Mr. D'Amore complimented Marilyn with: 'You are more beautiful than ten years ago' . . . 'I'll be 35 on June 1,' offered Marilyn . . . 'I will give you a birthday party,' said he. 'Invite all of your friends!' . . . 'You are very kind,' Marilyn told him, 'but I have no friends. I really don't know anybody.'"

Well does Isaiah 48:22 say, "There is no peace, saith the Lord, unto the wicked."

### More About Smoking

Smokers found themselves under attack recently from a new source: *psychiatry*. In London, Professor H. J. Eysenck, of the Institute of Psychiatry at London University, declared in an issue of *Family Doctor* that smokers "tend to drink more, be worse students and be married and divorced more often than non-smokers." In surveying the differences between smokers and non-smokers, Eysenck said: "Smokers tend to be more emotional, more neurotic more given to anxieties, more tense . . . they also go to the hospital more often."

Yes, you get a lot to like from a Marlboro!

### Pity the Poor Presbyterians

The night manager at a motel where I was staying recently called my attention to a front-page announcement in the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* which was headlined: "Presbyterian Church Lifts Ban on Drinking!" The article told how the 3,750,000-member United Presbyterian Church, meeting in its 173rd general assembly, voted to "recognize the right of individual members to drink moderately."

Their formal statement said: "There are many persons in our churches who in honesty and sincerity choose to drink moderately. Those who so drink and those who abstain . . . should respect each other and constructively work together in dealing with the problem of alcohol." It seems that recent studies showed that 58.1 per cent of all Presbyterians serve liquor in their homes, and ministers like John M. McNitt of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, wanted to remove "the stigma of second-class Christians" from this group.

In short, what the Presbyterians did was to lower their rules to meet the standards of society. One cannot help but wonder, should our Presbyterian brethren read the Kinsey report, if they would lift the ban on adultery and "recognize the right of the individual members" to indulge in the scarlet sin, at least moderately.

Pray for Evangelist Sumner's meetings:

Thru August 6:  
Enley Baptist Church  
Sand Lake, Michigan  
August 8-20:  
Skeels Baptist Church  
Gladwin, Michigan  
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### Let's Indoctrinate Our Children!

Not too many weeks ago a teacher in one of the nearby high schools was suspended on the charge that he had propagated communism in the public schools. The complaint had been made by several parents that their children had come home from school with the news that their teacher had told them the "good" side of communism. In his own defense the teacher said, "I am not a communist and I have never been one. I feel that it is my duty as a teacher to present both sides of every issue."

On the surface, "to present both sides" sounds innocent enough; in fact, it has a rather noble ring to it. Modern society has made broadmindedness the supreme virtue. We have been so busy being tolerant, unbiased, non-sectarian and ecumenical that we have almost thrown away the God-given privilege—no, I should say God-given responsibility—of influence over our children. We say, in essence, to the world, "I'll give you the same opportunities for indoctrinating my children for evil as I give myself to indoctrinate them for good. May the best man win!"

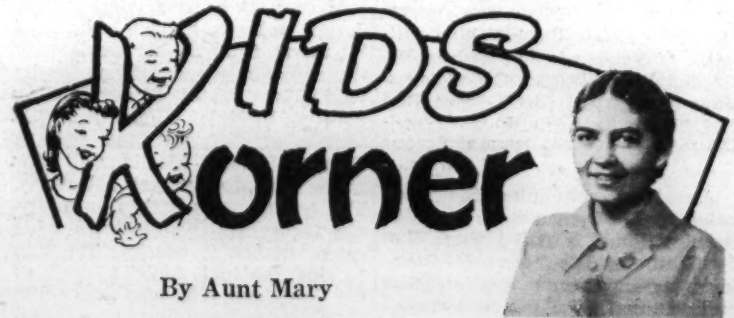
I frequently hear a parent say, "Well, I think young people need to learn to decide for themselves." Baloney! Do children need to decide for themselves that sin does not pay; that there is a Hell and a Heaven; that the Bible is the verbally inspired, inerrant Word of God; that any political system or church system which does not allow for Jesus Christ as the only Redeemer from sin is of the Devil? The truth of the matter is that we are afraid to tell our children that right is always right and wrong is always wrong without any ifs, ands, or buts. We have concentrated so long on

"being acceptable" to everyone that we've lost all our convictions.

When we are teaching young children to stay out of the street, we do not describe to them all the advantages of playing in the street in an effort to give "both sides." If it is dangerous to their health and life, then there are no advantages, no "good points" about playing in the street. It is as simple as that. How strange that we are inclined to be more careless with their spiritual welfare than we are with their bodies.

Why is it that we are all so afraid of the word "indoctrinate"? Throughout the world the communists, the socialists, the Catholics and a thousand other sects and political systems are indoctrinating their youth unashamedly with their doctrines and philosophies. Meanwhile, we evangelical Christians are so absorbed with being broadminded that we allow our children to be exposed to an almost unbelievable number of philosophies and heresies specifically designed to destroy their moral fiber and tear down their faith. The communists know the power of influence and indoctrination. They screen as carefully as possible every bit of information that comes beyond the iron curtain. The Catholic church forbids its constituents to attend any religious services except their own.

We Christians are not so careful. We give our children a slight smattering of spiritual training in the home and in the Sunday School, then we leave it up to the movies, the television, the cheap magazine, the evolution-teaching professor, and the worldly, popular crowd at school to do their worst without ever a word raised in protest. God forgive us!



By Aunt Mary

Johnny and Billy had planned to go fishing with Joe. But Joe was always a slowpoke. He never was ready on time. Today they planned to go to Herricks Lake and Billy's daddy had promised to take them. They were to meet at Billy's house at eight o'clock and carry a picnic lunch for a long lazy day of fishing.

At ten minutes till eight, Johnny arrived at Billy Jones' door. Billy, swallowing his last bite of breakfast toast, said, "Hi! Now if Joe will get here on time, we will be in good shape. You know Dad has to go to work at nine and so we have to leave on time." Johnny, in little-boy fashion, just grunted. He was scared Joe just wouldn't make it.

The boys spent the next ten minutes gathering their fishing gear, putting their lunches together in a basket, and even digging a few worms from the garden plot. Still no Joe! Finally Daddy called, "Time to go, boys!" Of course when Daddy heard that Joe had not yet arrived, he agreed to wait a minute. After all three had stood waiting impatiently for five minutes Daddy said, "I'm sorry, boys. I can't wait any longer. We will have to go without him."

Johnny and Billy had a wonderful day by the lake, fishing, loafing, and wading a bit. They ate their lunch early, and were starving again when late in the afternoon they were picked up and brought home, tired but gay, with

a string of little fish.

But Joe? At 8:15 he sauntered into the Jones yard. Mrs. Jones, hanging up wet clothes on the line, said, "Oh, Joe, I am so sorry. The boys left ten minutes ago." Joe went home mad at the whole world, spent most of the day pouting in his room. Joe missed the fun because he didn't think it mattered if he stopped to play with his dog for a while, though it kept others waiting fifteen minutes.

Are you a Joe or a Billy? Did you know that a Christian ought to be more dependable about keeping his word than one who does not belong to the Lord Jesus? This is a matter of Christian courtesy, a matter of politeness, a way of showing that you love one another. Did you ever disturb your Sunday school class because you were late? Come to think of it, isn't it the same boy who is late to Sunday school every single week, or nearly so? If you plan for a certain time for anything, then being late is just the same as breaking a promise. And Christian boys and girls should never break promises.

Now I know that we sometimes get off schedule and are delayed by others from doing what we want to do, but we should always apologize when that happens, and try to keep it from happening again. Do you have a reputation

## Midwestern Schools Honor Faithful Men

It was a great joy for this editor recently to give the Commencement address at the Midwestern Baptist Schools at Pontiac, Michigan. At that Commencement Dr. Malone, the president, and the faculty and trustees joined in honoring some noble, faithful men of God who had greatly contributed to the usefulness of Midwestern Schools. Three men, because of similar contribution and distinguished service, were given the D. D. degree at the same time.

Dr. Paul Vanaman is pastor of the Dixie Baptist Church of Clarkston, Michigan, and for six years he has taught in Midwestern Baptist Seminary.

Dr. Herbert Noe has also taught six years in Midwestern Baptist Seminary and is pastor of the Galilean Baptist Church of Livonia, Michigan.

Dr. Willard Stallcup was dean of the Seminary for six years during which time he also taught. He is now pastor of the Grace Baptist Church of Decatur, Alabama. We rejoice to see these good men receive the well-deserved honor.

Also honored with the doctorate was Dr. Cabel Roberts who is pastor and founder of the Friendly Lane Baptist Church of Fort Worth, Texas, where he is being greatly blessed of God in a needy field.

Dr. Jack Hyles, as we mentioned before, received a Doctor of Divinity degree for distinguished work as a soul winner and church builder. He is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hammond, Indiana.

These are the first honorary degrees given by Midwestern Baptist Seminary, but a combination of circumstances and the similar faithful service of three of these men led the board to decide they should all have the degree at the same time. Usually the Midwestern Seminary will expect to grant only one honorary degree at a Commencement.

We continue to hear wonderful reports of the fine, soul-winning, church-building work being done by students and graduates of the

for being on time, or for always being late?

But suppose it is the other person who is late, and you're on time. How can you be happy, "wasting time"? I want to let you in on my little secret. Sometimes I know I will be delayed by the slowpokes, but my conscience won't let me be late. So I get ready at the appointed time, then I plan something I can do in the time I have to wait. If I am to meet someone in a station, and the train is late, I often take stationery to write to a friend. I always have my Testament in my purse, and if I can find a quiet corner I read from God's Word. I often find someone to talk to, to pass the time. Recently, during Vacation Bible School, while I was very busy, through a misunderstanding I got to a meeting thirty minutes early. Rather than fret and fume, feeling mad at the world and mistreated, I took advantage of that time to study for my next day's teaching assignment.

If you are the one who is always late, let Aunt Mary offer a word of help. It is wrong to waste other people's time by keeping them waiting for you. So tell those you have kept waiting you are sorry. That is the first step. Then do begin to plan better. If you are always late to Sunday School, figure out why. Do you sleep too late? Then set that alarm clock at an earlier time, or ask Mother to wake you earlier. Do you look wildly for your favorite tie or sash for your dress, or for a misplaced Bible? Then next Saturday lay out your things the night before. Plan ahead, be sorry for past sins of being late, tell those you keep waiting you are sorry, ask the Lord's forgiveness and help, and BE ON TIME!

Now learn this verse: "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men" (Col. 3:23).

Midwestern Baptist Seminary. They now occupy a tremendous \$600,000 building, along with the Bible College and the high school and grade school all under the heading of Midwestern Baptist Schools. Dr. Tom Malone, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, is the president and founder of these schools, and one of the great preachers of America. We are honored to have him on the Co-operating Board of the Sword of the Lord, and as a frequent contributor.

### Evangelists

**EVANGELIST ZELFRED SMITH**, 34 Neal Circle, Greenville, South Carolina, held a revival in the Calvary Baptist Church of Union, South Carolina, recently. Rev. Ron Hill, pastor, reports that in this new work the meeting started with 22 in attendance and before the eight days were ended it climbed to an average of 40 with a high of 55 in a rural area of the community. There were 5 souls saved during the meeting and 7 rededications.

**EVANGELIST HYMAN APPELMAN**, Box 8484, Kansas City 5, Missouri, held a revival June 26-July 2 in the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church in Oliver Springs, Tennessee. Crowds ranged between 400 and 800. There were 5 saved at the church services, 3 saved outside the church, 3 who joined the church, and there were 8 who came back to the Lord, according to E. D. Mays, pastor.

**REV. WALDO GRANDSTAFF**, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hoopston, Illinois, held a revival recently at the First Baptist Church of Watseka, Illinois. Lawrence Mullinax, pastor, reports 14 decisions for salvation, 15 rededications, and at least 10 other souls who came to Christ in the home.

**EVANGELIST CECIL PEACOCK**, P.O. Box 206, Bartow, Florida, held six revivals recently in Florida, Kentucky, Ohio, and Georgia.

In these meetings the Lord gave 91 professions of faith, 10 additions by letter, and 143 rededications. One surrendered for full-time service in the meetings.

### INTRODUCING EVANGELIST FRED KIRBY

Good news has come that Evangelist Fred Kirby of Fayetteville, North Carolina, has entered full-time revival work and is accepting calls for meetings. Brother Kirby is a graduate of the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee, and has had seven years of ministry in Free Will

Baptist churches in Missouri and Oklahoma.

Brother Kirby is a native of South Carolina, is married and has two children.

In the last six meetings Brother Kirby has held, he has had approximately 75 first-time decisions



Rev. Fred Kirby

and about 125 rededications.

Rev. Ben Turner, pastor of the First Original Free Will Baptist Church of Manning, South Carolina, sent this good word: "Brother Fred Kirby is a man whom God has truly called to revive His people and to lead sinners to Christ. During the ten-day campaign here in the First Original Free Will Baptist Church in Manning, South Carolina, there were 28 saved and 20 rededications.

"The two things characteristic of Brother Fred's ministry are these: prevailing, believing prayer, and a Spirit-filled life. God will always use those who manifest such qualities and who are willing to pay the price of total, absolute surrender to Him.

"I highly recommend this dearly beloved brother to any pastor who earnestly longs for revival and the salvation of precious sinners."

If you would like to contact Brother Kirby for a meeting, address him at 201 Kirkland Drive, Fayetteville, North Carolina.

### What'll You Have?

I have seen your advertising  
Of the wines that sparkle clear  
And have heard your assertion  
That it's smart to drink your beer.

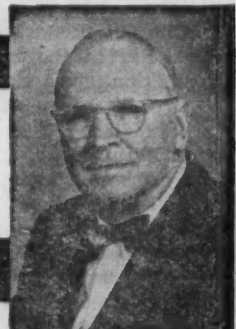
Then I saw him at the corner—  
Just a man who read your ad;  
And the drink that looked so harmless  
Made him dirty, mean and bad.

Watch him dribble; watch him slobber;  
See him vomit up the stuff;  
You can tell that he's "polluted"  
There's a man who's feeling "tough"

I have seen his wife tremble;  
Wipe the tear drops from her cheek—  
Tears of love, and shame, and pity  
For the strong man, now so weak

I have heard his children screaming  
As they feared his drunken rage  
Yes, he saw your advertising  
But that wasn't on the page.  
Courtesy "Christlife Magazine"

## Dr. Bob Jones SAYS:



We had a letter recently from a woman who graduated from Bob Jones University twenty-seven years ago and who now has a daughter in the University. She was on the campus a short time ago; and when she returned home, she wrote us saying how happy she is that the spirit of the school has not changed since she was here twenty-seven years ago. She said how thankful she is to God for what the school is now doing for her daughter.

My friends, we founded Bob Jones University thirty-four years ago; and we have never wavered. It has grown academically and in

every other way; but there was a better Christian spirit on the campus this past school year than there was when the school was founded. The Lord is in this work, and you can have a part in it. You can invest some of the Lord's money in the work of the institution. You can pray for the school, and you can recommend the school to the right kind of young people. Won't you let us hear from you? Please do. Thank you, and God bless you.

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# Noteworthy NEWS Notes

## KERR DEAN AT S. F. SEMINARY

The board of trustees of the San Francisco Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary has just announced the appointment of Dr. William Fulton Kerr as dean of the Seminary to succeed Professor William G. Bellshaw, effective with the opening of the fall semester of 1961. Mr. Bellshaw will continue as New Testament professor, but asked to be relieved of the deanship so that he might devote himself to doctoral studies. Upon his acceptance of the appointment, Dr. Kerr presented his resignation as pastor of the Hinson Memorial Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, one of the largest Conservative Baptist churches



Dr. William Kerr

in the nation after a happy pastorate of six and one-half years. Dr. Kerr is considered one of the leading theologians of the Conservative Baptist movement. He was the general chairman of the annual national gatherings of the Conservative Baptist Association recently in Portland.

Dr. Kerr received the degree of A. B. from Bryan University and the B. D. degree from Grace Theological Seminary. Northern Baptist Theological Seminary conferred the degree of Doctor of Theology. He completed much of

the residence work for the Ph.D. degree at Harvard University Divinity School. His major work of research was done in Old Testament, both at Northern and Harvard.

Dr. Kerr has been on the faculty at Northern Baptist Seminary, Denver Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary, Providence Bible Institute and Western Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary in Portland. Bryan University conferred the honorary Doctor of Laws degree last year and Grace Seminary in Winona Lake awarded Dr. Kerr a Doctor of Divinity degree this year.

In addition to being dean of the San Francisco Baptist Seminary, Dr. Kerr will also be teaching systematic and practical theology.

## LAMBERT HUFFMAN OFFERS SUNDAY SCHOOL AWARDS

A program of annual awards for proficiency in Sunday School activity is announced by Lambert Huffman, Publishers, of Winona Lake, Indiana. Each year during the month of March trophies will be given for outstanding performance during the previous year in the following categories:

1. Sunday School of the Year
2. Sunday School Superintendent of the Year
3. Sunday School Teacher of the Year
4. Sunday School Student of the Year
5. Best Book on Sunday School
6. Best Visual Aid on Sunday School
7. Best Magazine Article on Sunday School
8. Best Special Promotion for Sunday School

Contest rules and all other necessary information may be obtained by writing to Sunday School Awards, Lambert Huffman, Publishers, Winona Lake, Indiana.

## CALVARY BIBLE COLLEGE FORMED

Kansas City Bible College and Midwest Bible College of St. Louis have merged together under the name of Calvary Bible College.

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## She Read It, That Settled It

From Dallas, Pennsylvania, a good woman writes:

"I have received THE SWORD as a gift from my mother and father for about two years now and have read just about every issue all the way through and have enjoyed every minute of it.

"May God bless you and your associates and speed you in your work. May you prosper in all you do and may you know we pray for you and want you to know we appreciate all you have done for each of us that read THE SWORD.

"I would like to tell you that in one of the issues of THE SWORD I saw advertised a pamphlet on how to quit smoking tobacco. I sent for this booklet and upon its arrival to me, I sat right down to read it and didn't put it down until I had read it all the way through. When I had finished reading it, I was definitely convinced that it was a sin and went in prayer to God and told Him so, and that I wanted Him to help me stop.

"Well, He didn't fail me. I never had a cigarette after that. It's been about three months now. Praise God, He has made me very happy in helping me to conquer the sin!"

This little pamphlet has helped thousands to quit the tobacco habit. *Tobacco—Is Its Use a Sin?* has 24 large pages, priced at 25c a copy. Address THE SWORD OF THE LORD, Box 420, Wheaton, Illinois.

## "He Was Saved Right After He Went to Bed"

We have a good letter from David Gore, Ocean Drive, South Carolina. He bought a hundred copies of the booklet, *"What Must I Do to Be Saved?"* and has been giving them out.

He writes:

"One night I went to see a colored man to give him a copy of this tract. After I left he sat down and read the tract. For one week after he was under conviction. One week after I gave him the tract he was saved right after he went to bed. He called up his wife and they praised the Lord until two o'clock in the morning. She was already a Christian. I nearly shouted when I heard that he was saved, for I had talked with him many times about the condition of his soul. I thought that this might be a blessing to you if I told you. Today this man is a glowing Christian."

Why don't you, too, get copies of the booklet, *"What Must I Do to Be Saved?"* and win somebody to Christ? If you work and pray, it is likely you could get somebody saved with one hundred copies of this booklet. There are 24 small pages, beautifully printed, maroon ink, pictured cover. God has used this to save thousands of souls. \$2.00 a hundred, plus 45c postage and packing. Address THE SWORD OF THE LORD, Box 420, Wheaton, Illinois.

## RESTING

Once my hands were always trying,  
Trying hard to do my best;  
Now my heart is sweetly trusting,  
And my soul is all at rest.

Once my brain was always planning,  
And my heart, with cares oppressed;  
Now I trust the Lord to lead me,  
And my life is all at rest.

Once my life was full of effort,  
Now 'tis full of joy and zest;  
Since I took His yoke upon me  
Jesus gives to me His rest.

—A. B. Simpson  
in *Songs of the Spirit*



## Bud Lyles

Some readers may not realize that this column must be written nearly a full month in advance in order to meet deadlines. These words are being written on a very warm night in June. I have come home from Iowa, where I have been with Dr. Rice for two blessed revival campaigns. Tomorrow we go to Tennessee for the Sword of the Lord Conference at the Bill Rice Ranch. Our home is quiet, since the family is away visiting Grandmother. So . . . pull up a chair and enjoy the albums as they drop from the automatic changer.

A JOYFUL SOUND is the title of an album featuring a children's choir under the direction of Mrs. Mabel Stewart Boyter. Here is a delightful collection of children's songs and choruses sung exceptionally well by this youthful group. Diction and tone are outstanding for a children's choir. There are several new songs as well as some old familiar ones—13 selections on each side. The second side has songs for special seasons . . . Christmas, Palm Sunday and Easter. Mrs. Boyter is a specialist in music training for children. WORD W-3137-LP

Mr. Fague Springman has become a favorite baritone soloist of a great many people through his appearances in concerts with the Boston Symphony, New York Philharmonic, The Telephone Hour, and evangelistic tours. His powerful voice is ably supported in this album by the Concert Orchestra of London conducted by Paul Mickelson. The album is titled *WERE YOU THERE?* Mr. Springman sings eleven well-known spirituals. He captures the tender pathos of *Steal Away*, and *Were You There?* He also catches the rollicking joviality of *Shadrack and Joshua Fit De Battle of Jericho*. Other selections are: *Sweet Little Jesus Boy* and *There Is a Balm in Gilead*. Well done! WORD W-3132-LP

An album combining the tenor voice of Ed Lyman with the Bill Stanley Band is titled *THE WAY OF GLADNESS*. It's different! Stanley's arrangements are striking and dramatic. They sometimes seem to obscure rather than enhance the message of the songs.

## Literature to the Philippine Islands

We have a good letter from Rev. Leo B. del Carmen, director of the Associated Bible Institute, Cauayan, Negros Occidental, the Philippines. He asked us if we could send again THE SWORD OF THE LORD through our Ministers and Missionary Subscription Gift Fund as we have done in the past. He asked for 1,000 copies of the booklet, *"What Must I Do to Be Saved?"* for the Bible Institute students to use from house to house and with inquirers. He asked for some of my books and particularly for Sumner's book, *Man Sent From God*.

We have sent him 1,000 copies of *"What Must I Do to Be Saved?"* and \$23.75 worth of my other books as he requested. Pray for this literature as it goes to the Philippine Islands. And if you can help support our Free Literature Fund and our Ministers and Missionary Subscription Gift Fund which bless so many who could not otherwise have this literature Address THE SWORD OF THE LORD, Box 420, Wheaton, Illinois.

Lyman's voice is clear and true. He sings with conviction and conviction. Familiar titles include: *Come Unto Me, Abide With Me, All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name, I've Discovered the Way of Gladness*. WORD W-3119-LP

For more than thirty years the Klaut Indian Family have served the Lord. Rev. and Mrs. Klaut have endeavored to reach their own people with the Gospel. Their four sons have been reared in the atmosphere of evangelism. Now the family travels thousands of miles each year singing and preaching all over America. On the album called *THE HIGHEST HILL* they present songs which are typical of their meetings. There is a good bit of variety with Trio, Duet, Solo and group numbers. The music is strongly rhythmical but there is a sincerity of heart and purpose which carries over to the listener. You will like this one. CORNER STONE KF-906-LP

Readers in the Midwest need no introduction to the Melody Four Quartet. Each member of this fine group is a recognized artist in the sacred music field. They are: Clair Hess, Ray Felton, Glen Jorian and Bill Pearce. Dick Anthony performed the arrangements and is accompanist for the Quartet. In most of the selections an orchestra provides musical backgrounds for the voices. There are twelve numbers on the album which is titled *BEYOND THE RIVER*. The numbers include: *Coming Again, Deep River, When He Shall Come, Peace in the Valley and The Great White Host*. This is male quartet at its best. WORD W-3136-LP

For those who prefer the classical style in instrumental recordings, here is a fine album featuring the piano. Dennis Moffatt is a native of Chicago. He studied at the American Conservatory of Music. In concerts in Chicago and New York he has had excellent reviews by music critics. His album features these selections: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel; Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me; Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* and four others. An instrumental ensemble assists with some numbers. Arrangements were done by Mr. Moffatt. ZONDERVAN ZLP-572

Here is an unusual album. Glen Jorian, who is known and loved by many through his work with the radio broadcast, *Songs in the Night*, is a soloist of outstanding ability. In this album he does something different and gets a delightful result. He sings all four parts on two quartet selections. The technique is known as multiple recording. Mr. Jorian's wide range makes it possible for him to sing the high tenor as well as the low bass. He also plays the trombone to provide an interesting obligato. There are eleven titles including: *My Savior's Love, On My Journey (quartet), I Surrender All, Roll, Jordan, Roll*. The album, which is called *THE LORD GAVE ME A SONG*, has orchestral accompaniment throughout. ZONDERVAN ZLP-561

Herman Voss has done it again! He has produced another excellent album of organ solos. This one is titled *GEMS FROM THE ORGAN*. Mr. Voss, you may remember, was interviewed in this column some months ago. He is well known. Many folk have enjoyed his sensitive interpretations of the songs and hymns we all love. Somehow he seems able to make the organ sing the very words and get the message across to the hearer. In the opinion of this reviewer Mr. Voss's latest album tops them all. There are eleven selections. You will like his renditions of *After, There Is a Fountain, At Calvary, We Shall Shine As the Stars, and Jesus, I Come*. ZONDERVAN ZLP-571.

There you have it for July, 1961. Remember, please, that we do not stock recordings here and therefore we are unable to fill your orders. If you like the recordings reviewed here please write to the company which produced the album. Mention that you saw it in THE SWORD. We will be glad to assist you in any way we can. Write . . . Records . . . Box 420 . . . Wheaton, Illinois. Bye.

## How You May Get In on the Blessings of the Voice of Revival

### Send for an Audition Tape Today

Since January 1959, Dr. Rice has conducted the VOICE OF REVIVAL broadcast. The weekly half-hour program features a large choir and specials by the Rice Sisters plus the plain, sharp Bible message by this well-known evangelist, author and editor.

Although nearly every section of the country could hear the broadcast through present outlets, many areas find reception clear only if all conditions are just right. Of course some areas do not hear the program at all. You may live in an area not covered by the VOICE OF REVIVAL. What can you do to get in on these blessings?

Clip out this article and put it in a safe place. Detach the blank below. Fill in the information requested and send it to us. When the audition tape arrives, here is what to do:

1. Call the manager or program director of your local radio station.
2. Arrange an appointment when he can hear the tape and discuss it with you.
3. Take the tape and keep the appointment.
4. After he has heard the tape, ask him whether his station would be willing to air this independent gospel broadcast on a sustaining (free time) basis.
5. If he does not show interest in giving free time, ask about the cost for local sponsorship of a half-hour weekly broadcast.
6. If the price is reasonable and you or a group of businessmen or churches can underwrite the cost, proceed to an agreement for a specific half-hour segment on Sundays at a time which would not conflict with church services.
7. Write to us and tell us of the arrangements you have made and the date on which the first broadcast is to be aired. Be sure to give us the name and address of the station so that we can mail the tapes each week.

(Cut along line)

I am interested in getting the VOICE OF REVIVAL on a local station. Please send me an audition tape.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Station(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_



## Night Shift

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or the last moan that might come from the lips of a loved one or a friend.

I remember so vividly standing by the bedside of a man, along with members of his family. I could sense that he was going out into eternity. I had witnessed to him. He had said that he was a Christian. He seemed to be breathing his last, and after a few minutes there was quiet. There was no sound of breathing. Members of the family asked, "Is he gone?" I could not hear any breathing. I could not find any pulse. I remember the stillness of that home as the loved ones stood there somewhat transfixed. What a depressing scene! There is no beauty in such a scene, no joy except in this case when the one going out knew Jesus Christ as Saviour.

Then there is the depressing scene of poverty, and I have been in touch with many of them. I have gone into poor homes, poor beyond almost all comprehension. So poverty stricken were these individuals! I have eaten meals in homes that were poor beyond any thought.

But, my friends, can you find anything more depressing than the scene given here in the Word of God? We have read Acts 16 so much that it seems just ordinary. It's not ordinary! "Thrust into the inner prison"—that's what the Bible says—deep down inside! No sunlight, no moonlight, no electric light—just the dingy, dirty darkness of the inner prison. And in the midst of all of that, the cursing of the prisoners, with their hands and feet bound. Paul and Silas—good, holy men, with their feet in the stocks, in the inner prison at midnight! This is a depressing scene! But we see also

### II. A Dependent Couple.

"And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them"—Acts 16:25.

Here we see two men depending upon God. They recognized their dependence at midnight and they bowed their heads and prayed. In that dirty, filthy place these two men prayed, they depended upon God.

This is the way that it should be with any man or woman who recognizes who he is and what he is. You are dependent upon God, you must trust wholly and completely in Him, and then I trust

that there will not only be a prayer, but there also may be a song on your lips. Paul and Silas depended upon God; they knew He would not fail them. "At midnight" they prayed, and their prayer revealed their dependence upon God.

Young man, young woman, older person, if you pray, then you are showing that you depend upon God. But if you don't pray, if you don't agonize before God, then you are not showing any dependence upon Him. You are depending upon your poor, weak self.

Prayer revealed their faith in God. They knew that God answered prayer. He had answered prayer for Paul. He had answered prayer for Silas. They were a dependent couple.

I place my hand in Thine, O Lord,  
I dare not walk alone;  
The night is growing chill and dark,  
The future path unknown.

I need Thy strong, sustaining hand,  
To hold me on my way,  
Without Thy power to guard and guide,  
I sure would go astray.

I place my hand in Thine, Lord,  
That hand once pierced for me;  
When Thou didst bear my load of sin  
Upon Golgotha's tree.  
I want to know Thy presence, Lord,  
To feel Thy touch divine;  
To journey through this veil of tears,  
My hand firm clasped in Thine.  
Then keep my hand firm clasped in Thine,  
Until I reach that shore,  
Where conflict cease and sorrow end,  
And time shall be no more.

—Anonymous

These men rested completely upon God in their hour of trial and God did not fail.

### III. A Disturbed Sinner

We have mentioned a depressing scene, a dependent couple, and now let us see a disturbed sinner. We read in this sixteenth chapter of Acts, beginning at verse 26:

"And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: [But the walls were still standing! The foundations were shaken, but the prison was still there!] and immediately all the doors, and every one's bands were loosed. And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled. [He would have been put to death if the prisoners had escaped.] But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here. Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas." [A disturbed sinner, afraid, the prisoners were free—their hands and feet were freed—the jailer thought everyone was gone.]

He was going to kill himself. A sinner disturbed! Sinners need to be disturbed! Sinners need to be worried! Sinners need to be distressed! Here was a sinner who was troubled. He was distressed by holy men—Paul and Silas. And sinners ought to be distressed by holy men.

Are you listening? Do you know what is wrong in some of your homes, mothers and fathers? God help your poor, pitiful souls! Your children have no more respect for you than they have for a dog, and you are to blame. You call yourselves the children of God, you come to church, but you are not living in a way that your children respect. They do not believe in you. Holy men and women should be respected by others, as these men were.

Oh, sinner friend, may God disturb your heart! May you feel the presence of God in this meeting as you listen to the songs and to the sermon and to the Word of God, and may you see that today you should come to Jesus Christ. May you see that you must repent and believe and receive Him as your Saviour.

Sinners are disturbed by holy practices. They should be disturbed by the reading of the Word and by prayer. These men were praying and singing, and as they prayed and sang, suddenly there was a great earthquake, the prison doors were opened, and the jailer was about to kill himself when Paul and Silas stopped him.

This sinner was disturbed by holy practices.

My friends, you should read your Bibles! Some of you do not have a family altar and God pity your poor souls and God pity your children! Ah, listen to me, don't blame anybody but yourself if you can't get your children to come to church. It's your fault.

A mother said to me the other day, "I have a fifteen-year-old boy, and oh, I wish my boy would come to church!"

I asked, "Why doesn't he?" She said, "He just refused to come."

I asked, "How long has it been that way?"

She said, "Oh, I have always had some difficulty with him."

I said, "Mother, that's your fault!"

I asked her where the boy lived, and she answered, "He lives at home with me."

Then I said, "He should obey you."

If your children do not obey you, Mother and Dad, it's your fault. You have not lived a holy life. You have not read the Bible and prayed and sought the face of God, and you have not taken them to the house of the Lord.

Oh, the mite-brained parents of today! These are folks who spend their Sundays at the lake, on the highways, running here and there, never going near a church! This is why we have disobedient children—children who do not like to go to church on Sunday. These parents think it's all right never to come to a Sunday night service. They just have a little formal religion that brings them on Sunday mornings.

There is coming a day of awakening and sinners should be awakened now by holy practices, and sinners should be awakened by the holy Word of God. The Bible should speak to the hearts of those lost in sin that they might be turned from sin to the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, and everlasting life.

Again, sinners should be disturbed by unusual events. Only fools are undisturbed by unusual events. Some have tragedies in the home and pass them by with an attitude of "So what?" This is God speaking to you. God may speak by tragedy, by an accident, by a wreck, by a death, by a sickness, by a loss of job, by financial problems. God may speak in one of a thousand ways, and sinners should be disturbed. Sinners should be disturbed as they look around and see the tragedies in this present hour, and they should say, "I am going to turn to Jesus and be saved now."

This poor sinner in Philippi was disturbed. He said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" The answer was, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31). Now, someone is going to say this doesn't mean what it says—that this is not salvation. This means exactly what it says; this is salvation! This disturbed sinner was before two holy men, Paul and Silas, men who were praying and singing; men who were different from that motley crowd in the prison. He knew these two men and that is why he fell down before them saying, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

Sinner, that is your need today. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved!" You will be regenerated by His power—not by your power, for you can't do anything. Jesus will do the pardoning, the regenerating, by the Spirit of God.

This brings me to my fourth word,

### IV. A Delightful Picture.

First, there is a depressing scene; second, a dependent couple; third, a disturbed sinner, and fourth, there is a delightful picture.

Oh, this is the delightful picture—salvation! Then after salvation came the stripe washing—some things made right. The jailer had a part in beating Paul and Silas and casting them down into the inner prison, making their feet fast in the stocks, and now he is washing their backs. Notice the word, "And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway" (Acts 16:33). After their backs were cleansed, the stripes washed,

then he was baptized the same hour of the night, baptized, "he and all his, straightway."

They shouldn't have done this! They should have waited, like the folks in some parts of the country, for twelve months before they baptized them! They should have waited like some churches I have been in, where they wait six months before they baptize them! But you see, Paul and Silas did like they did on the day of Pentecost, when three thousand were saved and baptized. Always in the Word of God we find salvation, then baptism. This man was saved, his family was saved, and when they were saved, they followed Jesus Christ in believer's baptism. Baptism could not save their souls—they were saved before they came to the baptismal waters. They had repented and believed in Jesus Christ, and now as saved individuals, they followed Christ in baptism.

Verse 34, "And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house." What a beautiful scene is this! Here is fellowship in the house of this jailer when they met and rejoiced together.

I want you to see a delightful picture. Salvation has entered the home. Salvation is the same today as it was yesterday. "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever" (Heb. 13:8). "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8, 9).

Again, salvation was the same for all who were in the family. Somebody might say, "The jailer

got saved, and when he was saved, that brought the whole family in." Not on your life! They all had to get saved in the same way. They all had to repent of sin, every person, and believe in Jesus Christ.

Salvation brought works. There was some stripe washing. When they were saved, they bared the backs of Paul and Silas. This rough jailer is now changed and transformed by the power of God. Jesus has entered into his heart. He takes a basin of warm water and bathes the backs very tenderly. Then perhaps he put on ointment that they might be made well and might not suffer unduly.

After the stripe washing, then came the baptismal service—following the Lord in believer's baptism, and then back to the house where the jailer set meat before them, and rejoiced.

My friend, isn't it wonderful what God can do? Here is an awful night scene, Paul and Silas on the night shift! At eleven o'clock in the inner prison, at twelve o'clock praying and singing praises—and at twelve o'clock something happened! And before the night shift was over, the whole house had been saved and baptized—had had breakfast together! One single night's work—a man saved, his wife saved, the children saved, baptized, rejoicing together. "He rejoiced, believing in God with all his house." Here is a delightful picture!

Won't you come to the Saviour now?

—The End—

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### Gold Star Total Abstiners Hospitalization Policy

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Date of Birth: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
My occupation is \_\_\_\_\_  
My beneficiary is \_\_\_\_\_

I also hereby apply for coverage for the members of my family listed below:

| NAME     | DATE OF BIRTH | AGE   | RELATIONSHIP | BENEFICIARY |
|----------|---------------|-------|--------------|-------------|
| 1. _____ | _____         | _____ | _____        | _____       |
| 2. _____ | _____         | _____ | _____        | _____       |
| 3. _____ | _____         | _____ | _____        | _____       |
| 4. _____ | _____         | _____ | _____        | _____       |

Have you or any member above listed been disabled by either accident or illness or have you or they had medical advice or treatment or have you or they been advised to have a surgical operation in the last five years? Yes ☐ No ☐  
If so, give details stating cause, date, name and address of attending physician and whether fully recovered \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that neither I nor any member above listed uses alcoholic beverages and I hereby apply to The Gold Star Total Abstiners Hospitalization Policy for a policy based on the understanding that the policy applied for does not cover conditions originating prior to the date of insurance, and that the policy is issued solely and entirely in reliance upon the written answers to the foregoing questions.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: ☒ \_\_\_\_\_

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## News Notes

(Continued from page 4)

Present plans call for the college to be located on the premises of the Kansas City Bible College at 75th and State Line, Kansas City, Missouri. Rev. Al Metsker, acting president of Kansas City Bible College, initiated the merger through consultation with Rev. Roger J. Andrus, president of Midwest Bible College. The vote for the merger was unanimous in both boards.

Rev. Andrus will be the president of the new college and Rev. Metsker will be vice-president. Rev. Metsker is also director of Kansas City Youth for Christ. Rev. Delbert E. Fisher of Midwest will be the business manager and Rev. Ronald J. Krestan of Midwest will be public relations director.

With the two colleges uniting, it is expected that Calvary Bible College will begin the fall term with an enrollment of 275 to 300. Kansas City Bible College was founded in 1932. Dr. Walter L. Wilson was a co-founder and president emeritus of the school. Midwest Bible College was found-



Rev. Roger J. Andrus

ed in Salina, Kansas, in 1938 and moved to St. Louis in 1946. Dr. William F. May was a co-founder of Midwest and president emeritus.

### PEOPLES CHURCH BUILDING SOLD

On June 5, 1961, The Peoples

Church building in Toronto, Canada, was sold for enough to pay for the construction of a new building legally seating more than two thousand people with adequate educational facilities. The building was purchased by The Peoples Church in 1935 under the leadership of Dr. Oswald J. Smith. Crowds have consistently run larger than the sixteen-hundred-seat legal capacity of the building, both under Dr. Oswald J. Smith and under Dr. Paul B. Smith who succeeded his father as pastor in 1959. The new church building will be erected in the heart of the residential district at the intersection of Highway 401 and Bayview Avenue in Toronto.

During the last thirty years The Peoples Church has spent more than four million dollars on foreign missions and practically nothing on the maintenance of the home base. The completely new and modern plant will be built with no lessening of the missionary effort. The only funds that will have to be raised will be whatever is necessary to furnish the additional educational space. Occupancy of the new building is expected in September 1962.

## Editor's Notes

(Continued from page 2)

Bill Rice Ranch every accommodation was full; we had more preachers, I think, than we ever had at Lake Louise and a larger day-by-day attendance, and at least half as many requests for rooms had to be turned down as could be fulfilled because there were no more rooms. And now I have ten engagements for major Sword conferences in the fall and winter and I think that each one of the ten will probably have more preachers present and a larger attendance than the single conference at Lake Louise each summer would have.

Now the Sword is going back to the Bill Rice Ranch for a second big conference August 21-27. It will be a family-type conference, with special emphasis on separate meetings each morning for women, for young people, for children, and for men. The 9:30 to 10:30 period each morning will be divided up. Mrs. Jessie Rice Sandberg, who writes the column for wives and mothers, "From My Kitchen Window," in THE SWORD OF THE LORD, will be in charge and many, many good women will delight to have Mrs. Sandberg answer their questions, counsel with them about their problems, and stir their hearts to serve the Lord better in the home.

"Aunt Mary" Himes, who writes "Kids Korner" in THE SWORD OF THE LORD will have that hour each day with children and there will be Bible stories, flannelgraph and object lessons, memory work and songs and a good time.

Evangelist and Mrs. Walt Handford will have the hour specially for young people and we believe they will come from far and near. Dr. Bill Rice and this editor will have the men's hour each day and we anticipate a blessed time.

In three other periods daily there will be Bible teaching and preaching by Dr. Lee Roberson, Dr. Bill Rice, Evangelist Walt Handford, Editor John R. Rice. Music will be in charge of Don Sandberg, director of "Voice of Revival" radio choir. There will be Rice sisters' duets and other tremendous music.

Rev. Charles Himes is special recreation director. And there will be ping-pong, softball, shuffleboard, fishing, horseback riding, hiking, as well as many a prayer meeting, many a song fest, and the happiest fellowship imaginable!

Those who wish to come should write at once for reservations to Dr. Bill Rice, Bill Rice Ranch, Franklin Road, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Send \$1.00 per person for reservation fee, say exactly when you will arrive and how long you plan to stay. Services begin Monday, August 21, and run through Sunday, August 27.

### Editor and Dr. Andrew Telford at Ontario Bible Conference, Oswego, New York, August 13-18

Dr. Andrew Telford, pastor of the famous Berachah Church, Philadelphia, teacher in the Philadelphia Bible Institute, and this editor will speak together at the Ontario Bible Conference near Oswego, New York, the week from Sunday, August 13, through Friday, August 18. This would be a good week of vacation for those who would like to drive to the top end of New York State, near Canada and the St. Lawrence River. I suppose that plenty of rooms are available, either at the conference grounds or nearby, but you might write Rev. Gillis Partin at Ontario Bible Conference, P.O. Box 13, Oswego, New York.

Dr. Telford is a great preacher, spiritual, fervent, scriptural, a greatly loved friend. It will be a joy to have fellowship with him and to hear him preach.

### Take a Quota: Three Ways to Do It

Sword of the Lord Foundation does not belong to this editor. It is a nonprofit corporation, chartered under the laws of Illinois and so recognized by the Federal Government. I do not own the property; I cannot take any profit from it if I wanted to; I could not leave any of it to my children.

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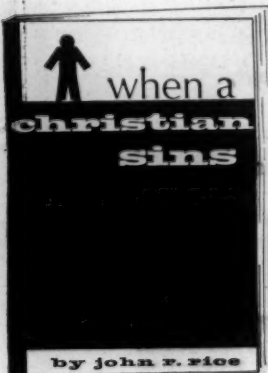
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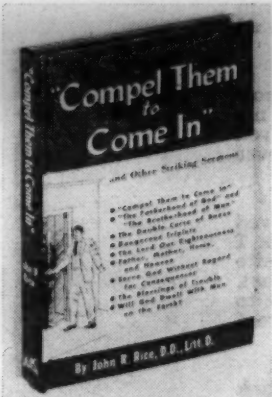
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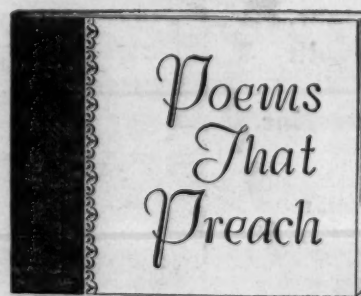
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## How Herod Lost

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### The Herod of the Gospels

The Herod about whom we are concerned reigned over Galilee and Perea from B. C. 4 when his father, Herod the Great, died, until A. D. 29 when he passed away in great wretchedness and misery upon being banished to Gaul by Caesar, the sovereign whom he served. This is the one who occupies so large a place in the Gospels. There was a time when this man seemed to have a measure of concern about holy things.

We read in Mark's Gospel that when John the Baptist began his ministry, when he came preaching the baptism of repentance for remission of sins and men were flocking to hear him, Herod became interested, so interested that from time to time he sent for him and asked him to give him the same message that he was giving to the people. He listened evidently with an exercised heart. No doubt many a time as John presented his solemn message, Herod said to himself, "Yes, yes, this man is right; I am all wrong. I ought to yield to God; I ought to get right with Him; I ought to turn to Him in repentance. I am a sinner, and my sins deserve judgment, and I ought to cast myself upon the infinite mercy of God, acknowledging my guilt."

But Herod listened again and again, as some of you have listened again and again, to the message of the Lord, and, instead of that message making his heart more tender and eventually resulting in his yielding to the call of God, the more he listened the harder his heart became. You have heard of people becoming what we call "Gospel-hardened." That is, they listen to the message from Heaven so frequently and yet treat it with such indifference that the time comes when it no longer makes any impression upon them. Generally there is a reason for that.

I was very much impressed by a remark that Mr. Melvin Trotter made. He said, "In the last analysis there is always just one sin that keeps a man from getting right with God."

What was the one sin that kept Herod from getting right with God? It was a sin that has damned untold thousands, a sin of which, perhaps, many of you are guilty; a sin, which if not repented of, will destroy both body and soul. It was the sin of IMPURITY.

### Herod and Herodias

Herod was a licentious, an immoral, an impure man. It was manifested in many ways, but particularly in this: When he was a young prince in Rome, where he had gone to be confirmed in his kingdom by Augustus Caesar, he met his brother Philip's wife, Herodias, and she was not only the wife of his brother, Philip, but she was also his own niece. She was a very beautiful, a very attractive woman, and Herod allowed his heart to go out after her in an impure way. As far as the records go, she was a faithful wife to her own husband at that time, but

Herod seduced her, and took her away from her husband, sent his own wife home to her father, the king of Arabia, desolate, and took Herodias to be his mistress when he came back to Galilee to reign.

When John the Baptist stood before him preaching righteousness and calling to repentance, Herodias sat there on the throne beside him, and Herod knew that if he would ever get right with God, he would have to send home this woman with whom he was living in such an ungodly relationship. But he had not the manhood, the courage, and the real inward desire to do it, because he was bound by the chains of his own lusts.

Oh, how many men down through the centuries have been ruined in the same way! John the Baptist was aware of the real trouble; he knew why his words made so little impression upon Herod.

And so one day as he came into the presence of this haughty tetrarch, John pointed the accusing finger at Herod and said, "You have no right to have her; she is the wife of another man. You are sinning against God; you are sinning against her; you are sinning against her husband; you are sinning against society; you are sinning against your own soul in going on in this unholy relationship."

What was the result? Herodias flamed with anger. She said, "That man is accusing me in accusing Herod. If Herod is a sinner, I too am a sinner. If Herod is doing wrong, I too am doing wrong, and I won't allow any man to accuse me in this way without having my revenge on him."

So powerful was the influence of this woman that she persuaded Herod, who had become as putty in her hands, to lay hold on John and to cast him into prison—in prison for telling the truth! Herod knew John told the truth. Herod knew he was wrong, knew he was guilty; but he was a coward and, was bound by the chains of his lust, and his impurity kept him out of Heaven.

What sin is it that stands between you and the salvation of your soul? What sin is it that keeps you from saying to God,

Nay, but I yield, I yield,  
I can hold out no more;  
I sink by dying love compelled,  
And own Thee conqueror.

You know the sin of impurity is everywhere today. It is like

### A Festering Sore in Society.

With all their outward veneer of culture and politeness and social etiquette, these days men are as rotten and filthy in the sight of God as in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, or as in the days before the Flood; and our Lord Jesus Christ Himself has told us, "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man" (Luke 17:26). We are living in just such times as described. If you are one who is bound by the chains of impurity, whatever form those chains may take, God help you to come to the place where you will acknowledge your sin, and seek deliverance before you find at last that you are ruined body and soul and spirit, and lost for eternity.

### Herod's Birthday Tragedy

If not repented of, one wrong step easily leads to another. Herod found this out. The sin of impurity led to the sin of rejecting the Word of God, imprisoning the servant of God, and at last of murdering him. Then you remember that solemn incident given in the fourteenth chapter of Matthew's Gospel, and again in the sixth chapter of Mark. I will read from Matthew: "At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus." Some years had gone by: Jesus had come forth from the seclusion of that little home in Nazareth. He was going up and down the country preaching the Kingdom of God accredited by the marvelous signs that proclaimed His Messiahship. Herod heard of Him, and at once his conscience became uneasy.

Something had happened. John had been put to death, and that in the most cruel way, and Herod said, when he heard of Jesus, "This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and, therefore, mighty works do shew forth

themselves in him." For Herod had laid hold on John and bound him and put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife. "... And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet. But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced before them, and pleased Herod. Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask. And she, being before instructed by her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger. And the king was sorry."

He realized he had been put in a tight place. He was carried away by his admiration of this flippant little godless butterfly who had been dancing before him and his court. He had made the promise without thinking what it might involve. He had said, "Tell me what you want as a reward," and she said, "Mother, what shall I ask?"

This was the hour for which Herodias had waited; now was the time to get revenge on the man who had told her the truth, who had unmasked the iniquity of her life, and Herod's life. And she whispered, "Tell him to have the head of John the Baptist cut off and presented on a charger"—really, on a dinner-plate. She asked for it as for a mere trifle.

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### Herod Was Terrified.

Again his conscience was awakened, and he said, "Whatever shall I do?" But for his oath's sake, and because of those that sat around, he said, "I will have to carry it out." What a contemptible character. Afraid to come out and say, "No, I have made a tremendous mistake, a fearfully wicked blunder, and cannot carry out such a vile oath." Instead he said, "I cannot have these people think I say one thing and do another. No matter what Almighty God thinks, I shall have to keep my face before these people." So he sent for the executioner, and had John the Baptist beheaded, and his head brought on a charger to the daughter of Herodias; she brought it to her mother.

Can you imagine anything more gruesome? Does it not show what she really was? Here was this frivolous doll, who could spend her time dancing before this crowd, and you would think that she was so dainty that the very sight of blood would fill her with disgust. Yet she comes to her mother bear-

ing the bloody head of the preacher of the Word of God.

You can understand the feeling of Spurgeon when someone asked him, "Do you think there is any harm in dancing?" He answered, "What a question to ask a Baptist minister when the first Baptist minister had his head danced off!"

Oh, the vileness of it! I can imagine how Herodias gloated over it and said to herself as she looked at those cold, silent lips, "They will never accuse me again. They will never again say to me, 'You are living in impurity'; they will never again charge me with my

sin." She forgot that she was going to face that man some day at the Judgment bar of God. I think I see Herodias as she stands before that

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## Job 16

### Job Needs Someone to Plead with God for Him

How can you help but weep for Job? Every possession gone, children all dead, his shrewish wife tormenting him, his friends turned against him—what more loss could he have suffered? He had tried to live right. "On my eyelids is the shadow of death; Not for any injustice in mine hands." Yet God seemed to have forsaken him. In his despair he cried, "O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for his neighbor!"

Over in Job 9:30-33 we understand a little better why Job knew someone must plead for him. "If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands never so clean; Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall abhor me." (Hear the echo of this in Romans 3:23—"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.") Realizing his unworthiness, Job said, "He is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him, and we should come together in judgment. Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand upon us both."

When we read these searching words, our hearts condemn us, too. For we have no more right to come to a holy, righteous, perfect God than did Job. We are sinners, and cannot face God. But, praise God, there is One who pleads with God for us. We do have a Daysman. "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus," says I Timothy 2:5. And what is the reason He can intercede for us? "Who gave himself a ransom for all," the Scripture continues.

Job must have realized his redemption in Christ, for Elihu reminds him, in Job 33:24: "Then he is gracious unto him and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom." In a thrilling hymn of believing faith, Job cried, "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God!" (Job 19:25-27).

Best of all, this Mediator is able to save us to the uttermost, from the depth of sin, for all eternity, because "he ever liveth to make intercession for them" (Heb. 7:25)!

#### Clues Across

- 2 "what emboldeneth thee thou answereth?"
- 6 "O that \_\_\_\_\_ might plead for a man with God"
- 9 "I also could speak \_\_\_\_\_ ye do"
- 11 "because man goeth to his long \_\_\_\_\_" Eccl. 12
- 12 "in the plain, in the hills, and in the \_\_\_\_\_" Deut. 1
- 14 son of Judah (Gen. 38:3)
- 15 oldest son of Isaac (Gen. 25:25)
- 17 "he \_\_\_\_\_ upon me like a giant"
- 20 "O that one \_\_\_\_\_ plead for a man with God"
- 23 "he \_\_\_\_\_ hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger" Job 17
- 24 "as for my hope, who shall see \_\_\_\_\_?" Job 17
- 25 "When a few years are \_\_\_\_\_"
- 27 "O my strength, \_\_\_\_\_ thee to help me" Ps. 22
- 29 "For there is \_\_\_\_\_ God, and one mediator between God and men" I Tim. 2
- 30 "deceitful men shall not live out \_\_\_\_\_ their days" Ps. 55
- 33 "then I shall \_\_\_\_\_ the way whence I shall not return"
- 34 Jacob was a \_\_\_\_\_ to Esau (Gen. 25:25-28)
- 36 "to \_\_\_\_\_ is better than sacrifice" I Sam. 15
- 38 "Who is he that will \_\_\_\_\_ with me?" Job 13
- 39 "Not \_\_\_\_\_ any injustice in mine hands"
- 40 "He runneth upon me like \_\_\_\_\_ giant"

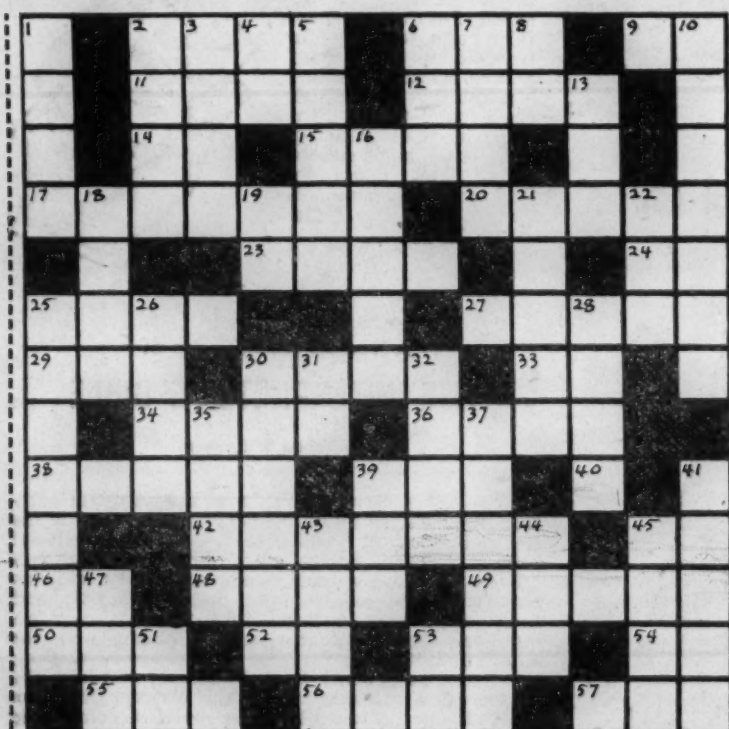
- 42 "I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and \_\_\_\_\_ my horn in the dust"
- 45 "I was \_\_\_\_\_ ease, but he hath broken me"
- 46 "I know it is \_\_\_\_\_ of a truth: but how should man be just with God?" Job 9
- 48 "Be still, ye inhabitants of the \_\_\_\_\_" Isa. 23
- 49 passage to pews of church (\_\_\_\_\_)
- 50 "\_\_\_\_\_ that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth" I Tim. 5
- 52 "God hath delivered me \_\_\_\_\_ the ungodly"
- 53 "Out of whose womb came the \_\_\_\_\_?" Job 38
- 54 initials of mother and father of Isaac (Gen. 21:2)
- 55 "As a \_\_\_\_\_ pleadeth for his neighbor!"
- 56 "thou hast filled me \_\_\_\_\_ wrinkles"
- 57 "mine eye poureth out tears unto \_\_\_\_\_"

#### Clues Down

- 1 "and turned me \_\_\_\_\_ into the hands of the wicked"
- 2 "\_\_\_\_\_ Job answered and said"
- 3 "defiled my \_\_\_\_\_ in the dust"
- 4 "though I forbear, what \_\_\_\_\_ I eased?"
- 5 "he gnasheth upon me with his \_\_\_\_\_"
- 6 eggs
- 7 father of Amos (Luke 3:25)
- 8 Hebrew name for God
- 10 "they have \_\_\_\_\_ me upon the cheek reproachfully"

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- 13 "is there any taste in the white of an \_\_\_\_\_" Job 6
- 16 "\_\_\_\_\_ vain words have an end?"
- 18 "mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes \_\_\_\_\_ me"
- 19 and (Latin)
- 21 "Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express \_\_\_\_\_ of his person" Heb. 1
- 22 "the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers \_\_\_\_\_ him" I Sam. 31
- 25 "His archers \_\_\_\_\_ me round about"
- 26 "with what measure ye \_\_\_\_\_ it shall be measured to you again" Matt. 7
- 28 Asian bean used to make flour and oil
- 30 "Wherefore \_\_\_\_\_ thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy?" Job 13
- 31 "Shall vain words have \_\_\_\_\_ end?"
- 32 "The \_\_\_\_\_ hath said in his heart, There is no God" Ps. 14
- 35 a valley, or a river, in Africa
- 37 "He breaketh me with \_\_\_\_\_ upon breach"
- 39 exclamation of disgust
- 41 "if your soul were in my soul's \_\_\_\_\_"
- 43 "out of his belly shall \_\_\_\_\_ rivers of living water" John 7
- 44 "If a man \_\_\_\_\_, shall he live again?" Job 14
- 45 "he hath \_\_\_\_\_ taken me by my neck"
- 47 unit of electrical resistance
- 51 initials of first woman and her son who was slain by his brother (Gen. 4:2, 9)
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by Walter Brown Knight

As the author explains, "We are living in a bothered, burdened, brokenhearted world; we are living in a world that is marching to sobs and sighs, and paralyzing fears everywhere; we are living in a world in which men's hearts are failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth" (Luke 21:26). How desperately imperative, therefore, is the need that we shall have a vital, workable, experimental knowledge of the ever-present, never-failing, all-powerful Saviour."

This meditation deals with the priceless possibility of knowing Christ in a threefold sense, namely: (1) As Saviour; (2) As Lord and Master; and, (3) As an ever-present, never-failing, sympathizing, understanding Friend.

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## Last Great Tribunal;

and I see John the Baptist there with his blessed Lord. As she comes before that throne, suddenly her eyes get sight of him and she shrieks, "Let me get away into the darkness; anywhere from those accusing eyes! That man who dared to stand before Herod and me and say, 'You have sinned,'—I thought I was rid of him, that I would never see him again, but there he is! Hell itself will be a refuge if it will only hide me from that face!" But she has to endure the consequences of her sin eternally!

Follow Herod's history, and you will find that he sinks lower and lower into iniquity. When Jesus was warning His disciples of the vile corruptions of the times, He said, "Take heed, beware of

## The Leaven of Herod."

What was the leaven of Herod? It was corruption of the worst kind, corruption that would destroy society, that would gloss over the vilest iniquity as though it were something not worthy of divine disapproval.

Herod was the only man of whom Jesus ever used a sarcastic epithet. He was drawing near to Jerusalem for the last time. His disciples had said, "Do not go down to Jerusalem. Herod is there, and he will seek to kill you." But Jesus said, "Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures today, and tomorrow, and the third day I shall be perfected" (Luke 13:32). That is the only time Jesus ever used an epithet like that about anybody. "Go ye, and tell that fox," He was a shifty, cruel character, past description.

When the Saviour stood before Pilate, and the Roman governor wanted to get rid of the responsibility of giving sentence concerning Him, he overheard somebody remark that He was from Galilee, and like a drowning man clutching at a straw, he said, "From Galilee? I hear the tetrarch from Galilee is in the city. He and I are enemies, but this may be a good opportunity to make up with him. I will recognize him, because this man comes from Galilee."

So the guard took Christ to Herod and when Herod saw him, there was a little of that old-time quiver that was in his heart when he listened to John. One more opportunity had been vouchsafed to him to get right, and we read, "When Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad." It was as though he said, "Now, this is the one I have been so afraid of. I thought it was John the Baptist, but if it were he, I would have heard from him before now. I would like to see Him do some great miracle."

## Christ Silent Before Herod

And we read, "He questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing." Can you not visualize the scene? The vile, voluptuous, licentious, corrupt tetrarch of Galilee sitting upon his throne, and standing before him is the blessed Christ of God! And Herod said, "Why, I am glad to see you; I wonder if you cannot answer some questions for me." He put question after question, but Jesus did not even open His lips; He gave no reply.

What did it mean? Did not Je-

sus care for this man's soul? Was He not as ready to help him as He was to help others? This man had lost his soul; he was as good as checked for Hell. He had sinned against light and knowledge until now there was no possibility of bringing him to repentance. So Christ met each question in absolute silence.

Had Herod said to Jesus, "Master, I am so glad to see You. They tell me You consort with publicans and sinners, and O Master, if there is a sinner in this land, I am he. So filthy, so impure, so immoral, so unclean; Master, is there healing, is there cleansing, is there help for a sinner like me?" Jesus would have said, "Herod, I have come not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. You are just the man I came to save. Are you ready to part with your sin? Are you ready to send that wicked woman back to her home? Are you ready to confess your guilt to her husband, to face your iniquity? If you are, Herod, let me tell you something. I am just on my way to the cross, and there I am going to offer myself a Sacrifice for your sin, and you may be cleansed from every stain."

Yes, He would have had a message like that for Herod if there had been any repentance. But Herod had

gone by Redemption Point in the river of life, so hardened was he in his sins. So when there was no answer, Herod turned carelessly away. "And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him." And then Herod joined in actual persecution and "with his men of war set him at naught, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate."

That is the last Herod had to do with Jesus until the day when he stands before the Great White Throne! There he will see sitting upon that Throne in awful majesty the very Man that once stood before him in Jerusalem, the One who could have saved him, the One who could have cleansed him if he had only been in earnest, if he had only repented, if he had truly desired deliverance from his sin. But alas! alas! Herod will have to hear from the lips of the Son of God the awful sentence, "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matt. 25:41).

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## "Just One Sin"

Friend, do you realize what an easy thing it is to lose your soul? Just cling to one sin; just let one sin come between you and God. Possibly someone is saying, "But you mistake the nature of your audience if you think we would stoop to the sin of which Herod was guilty." Very well, if you know that to be true, if you know that you have never been guilty of these things, never stooped to these things, what other sin is it that is standing between you and your God?

When the Word of God is brought home in power to your soul, and you hear a voice within saying, "Now is the accepted time, behold now is the day of salvation" (II Cor. 6:2), and conscience says, "Yes, I ought to yield to God," what is it that rises before you and you say, "Oh, but—but—if I become a Christian, I cannot go on with that; I cannot do that any more; I will have to give that up, and I am not prepared for that?" You love that sin more than Christ; you love your sin more than Christ; you love your sin more than a place in Heaven, and, therefore, you will have to sink with your sin into outer darkness, unless God in mercy still gives you repentance.

"Often He has called thee To accept salvation; Often He has waited, At thy heart's closed door. Outside still He's standing; Now His Spirit's striving, Will you heed His knocking, Let Him in today?"

Pardon's day is passing, See the light is going; Heaven's doors are closing, Mercy will be gone. Thy soul's chance is flying, Soon thou wilt be dying; Saints of God are crying, "Oh, be saved today!"

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## Answer to Puzzle No. 27

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## Jesus & Multitude

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it well, and for good, and with compassion. I have taught them properly and well, but that is not enough."

As healing is not enough, even the good teaching of the Lord Jesus is not enough. I would have liked to have heard Him. The Scripture says He spoke as never man spoke, and when people heard Him they were awed and enthralled. I do not wonder that the

multitude—five thousand men besides women and children—followed Jesus out into the wilderness to hear Him, and stayed three days with nothing to eat, so entranced were they by His teaching. But Jesus' teaching was not enough. There is a great big word with three little letters: "... BUT when Jesus saw the multitude ..." He saw they were like sheep without a shepherd, and so had compassion on them. You see, healing is not enough. The teaching without salvation is not enough.

A man with a Ph.D. degree

will go to Hell just as quickly as if he could not read or write. And a man with wealth and a well and strong body, unsaved, will go on to misery and unhappiness.

Just recently I read where a man who had been playing "Superman," on television had committed suicide. He played the part of that faultless being with such enormous strength and such X-ray eyesight, and was held up as the idol of many million boys and girls. He had perfect health and strength, fame and money, but no peace and happiness. Sin was ruining

him, as it ruins us all. So without the Lord Jesus and forgiveness and salvation, a healthy body is not enough. Teaching is not enough.

Here was the multitude. Jesus looked on them, and they were like sheep without a shepherd. That means something is out of kilter. This world is not in good shape. Mankind is not what it ought to be. Men are estranged from God, the Good Shepherd. They have strayed. They are not where they should be—at home in the fold.

Look on the world and anybody with good sense can see something is badly wrong with mankind, badly wrong with all of us, badly wrong with me. I fail at so many things, though I have been converted and am God's child. I am evidence, as are you, that the human race is itself out of joint, out of touch with God, estranged from the right. Oh, within the human race—not truth, but lies; not health, but sickness; not goodness and holiness, but wickedness.

So when Jesus saw them, they were like sheep having no shepherd. He saw that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." He saw that "there is none righteous, no, not one." The dear Lord Jesus saw the multitude like sheep.

Also, He must have seen the restlessness of the people, often seeking but still blinded, unhappy, discontented—seeking elsewhere. The grass will be better, the world says to itself, on the other side of the fence. Man thinks of that other man's wife, "I would enjoy her more than my wife." Or people say, "I would do better in that other job," or, "If I lived in another town..." Restlessness and uneasiness go with being a lost sinner. "There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked" (Isa. 57:21). And the wicked heart, like the muddy sea, brings up dirt and mire from the bottom. So with the human heart.

I have been to Moncton, New Brunswick, for a couple of revival campaigns. The "bore" there is a world-famous phenomenon that attracts thousands of visitors each year. Actually it is a tidal wave, which geologists say is due to the swell of the tides.

This wave rushes up from the Bay of Fundy, twenty miles inland, twice daily. Its wall of water ranges from a few inches to four feet in height. And the waters of the Petitcodiac River reverse twice daily. It comes muddy and red. Why? Because of the dirt and mud from the bottom of that river. The tide always comes, up red and dirty, and goes out the same way.

So the human heart, with all the wickedness inherent in it, can cause restlessness, like that of poor sheep with no shepherd and out of the fold, and a prey to wolves. So man is a prey to sin.

Jesus looked on the multitude, not just those near. Most people are limited. They love their own family, but not the next fellow's family. Many people love their church, but not the next fellow's church. They love their own race, but not the race of another color. But that is not the way it ought to be with the child of God. The Lord Jesus saw the whole multitude everywhere. He saw those whom Paul mentioned in II Corinthians 11:28, "Besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches." Paul said, "I have yet to come to Rome, to the capital city of the world, to do my part there." The unseen multitude everywhere! But Paul, what about the Jews? Oh, yes, he loved the Jews, but there were Romans, too, and Greeks and barbarians, the wise and the unwise. Paul said, "I am a debtor to all of these." Jesus looked on the whole multitude.

In this revival business it is hard to get people's minds off their little cliques and plans. A church wants a revival, but "we want it in our own little auditorium so we can get the people and the children who come to our Sunday School saved." But what about that poor restless multitude outside? Most churches don't see the multitude. I say to the pastor, "Let's get some good Christian people together and rent the high school auditorium or city auditorium, or put up a big tent." "Oh,

no! That would cost too much. We just want our own people." But Jesus looked on the whole multitude everywhere.

That is why some eighteen years ago in the Rosland Y. M. C. A. on the south side of Chicago, on my face at two o'clock one morning I waited on God and promised Him I would work to bring back city-wide campaigns, not just church-wide, to reach those who had no connection with any church, to reach those who wouldn't come to some little church.

Oh, the multitude! That is why Jesus preached out in the great outdoors. Jesus, why don't you go to the synagogue? He sometimes did. As a boy He grew up going to the synagogue regularly in Nazareth. Oh, yes, but this great crowd! So they sat out on the edge of the mountain while He preached to the multitude the Sermon on the Mount. Or He would say to James and John, "Let me sit in the bow of your boat while you shove it out a little ways, and I will preach to the crowds gathered on the seashore." And so Jesus looks on the multitude. We ought to care for the great and needy multitudes.

They wouldn't let John Wesley preach in his father's church, so he went to where his father was buried, stood up on his father's gravestone, and preached to the multitude there. And he preached in the fields, this Oxford don. This cultured man preached on the streets, in the fields, outside coal mines. At four o'clock in the morning it might be, or whenever people would come, Wesley preached to them. He said, "The world is my parish." Oh, field preaching, street preaching, jail preaching—that is the way.

So we need revival campaigns that are with more than the local church. "Aren't you for local churches having revivals?" Yes. I am for winning souls any way you can. "One at a time?" Yes. "Or when you can win several in a Sunday School class?" Yes. Wherever you can go where you can lead one or two or ten or a hundred or a million, let's get the Gospel out. Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

You say, "I want my brother saved." Well and good. Andrew first got his own brother Simon. Somebody says, "I want my husband saved." Well and good. The tender love he has for you might be the means by which you could draw him and woo him and love and plead him into the kingdom of God. I am for all the human ties. That man in Hell prayed for his poor lost brothers, "Send somebody to warn them." Yes, we ought to use all the ties of love and marriage and kinship and acquaintance. We ought to use everything we can to get people saved. But don't forget the whole multitude! The Lord Jesus had compassion on the multitude.

We need the same kind of feeling that Paul had when he said, "I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise. So I am ready to go to Rome also." He saw the whole Roman Empire. He had gone to Corinth, to Ephesus, to Athens, to Jerusalem; now he must go to Rome, the center.

That is the way John Knox felt when he looked on Scotland and said, "Give me Scotland or I die." Oh, for a burden for the whole multitude!

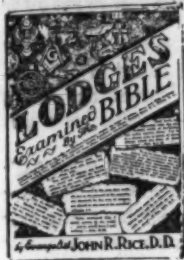
I am a Texas man. Many years ago, in the days when Texas was a republic, R. C. Burleson landed in Galveston. It was not much of a town then. He knelt down on the sand and said, "God, give me Texas! God, give me Texas!" And with only a handful of Baptists in that missionary territory in Texas, R. C. Burleson began preaching, and then felt led to found what is now Baylor University. And God raised up many helpers and friends.

It may well be that because R. C. Burleson knelt on the sand at Galveston, Texas, and prayed, "O God, give me Texas! Give me Texas"; because of that compassion for the unseen multitude—Indian fighters and pioneers and soldiers and renegades and all; because he loved them all, the unseen throng like sheep without a shepherd and without a church

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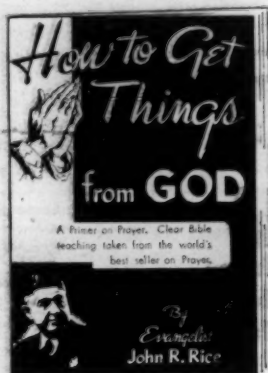
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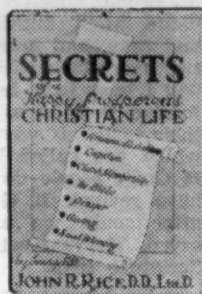
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and without a pastor; it may well be that these are the reasons why Texas is one of the great Baptist states in the world. Thank God that R. C. Burleson loved the people and had compassion! There are more born-again, converted Christians of the fundamental Christian faith there than in most other Christian areas of the world. I say, we need a vision!

That is what Hudson Taylor said about China. He looked at China on the map and saw there were some five hundred million people and that missionaries had gone only to the coastal towns and down on the border. So he said, "Oh, what about the interior of China!" Hudson Taylor said, "I want all of China." God said, "If you will obey me, I will evangelize the interior of China." And Hudson Taylor prayed, "O God, give me a thousand missionaries for souls!" He cut his hair short in front, according to the native fashion, and permitted it to grow long for a queue. He put on Chinese garments and lived in poverty and endangered his life—all this that he might come closer to the people. He had a vision of the whole multitude. So did Jesus.

I think that was not new to Jesus. I think He had the same sight in Heaven. Looking down from the starry heights in Glory, with the sheen of the golden streets and gates of pearl and the twinkle of the diamond foundations and the glad songs of angels with their praises, the Lord Jesus saw the multitude. We are told in Philippians, "He thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross" (Phil. 2:6-8). Oh, the compassion Jesus had on the multitude—on the wicked as well as the good; on the ignorant, the dumb, the careless and the trashy. God loves the poor and no-goods.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if all our churches got so burdened that the rescue missions would be in the churches, and the church a rescue mission, and the bums, the criminals, the ignorant and illiterate as well as the cultured, would be dealt with in the churches. All would go after the bums. It ought to be so.

I believe in one-church revivals, but blessed is the church that tries to get the whole community. I have never believed it right for a church to say, "Now this is my territory. We won't cross these certain streets because that is some other church's territory over there." No, the whole world. Let's get everybody we can. Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in. A vision of the multitude is what Jesus saw. That is what we should see, too.

It says here that when the Lord Jesus saw the multitude, He was moved with compassion. That is very sweet to me. I have thought so much about the compassion, but He was moved with compassion. It was a compassion that brought results, that motivated Him. It changed His plans and overpowered all the other things.

"Dear Lord Jesus, you don't want everybody spitting in your face, do you? You don't want God to turn His face from you when you hang on the cross, do you? You don't want them to lie about you, do you? You don't want them to scourge you and beat you and take you up to Calvary and then strip you naked in shame and call you a crook and a criminal, do you, Jesus?"

Jesus answers, "I am so moved with compassion for all the multitude that none of these things move me." So Jesus endured the cross, despised the shame, because of that motivating, that all-consuming compassion. Jesus was moved with compassion.

A lot of you people have compassion, but it doesn't stir much, doesn't change your giving or living or your pleasure or the money you spend on yourself. But Jesus was moved with compassion.

O God, move us! O God, light the fires that will burn us! O God, let us be single-minded, going after the one main thing. That is what God wants. Surely that is what Jesus had. And compassion is the great equipment for soul winning.

Orthodoxy? Orthodoxy cannot win souls unless there is a holy fire of compassion. Love will find a way. Real heart-compassion will find a way.

One time Mrs. Catherine Booth went to jail to see a poor, sorry woman, a woman who hated the law and the churches. Mrs. Booth, it is said, put her arms around this poor, sorry woman and kissed her. Startled, the woman said, "Nobody has kissed me for years!"

God uses love, a kiss, a handshake, or some other kindly expression of compassion. It not only opens the hearts of men, but it also opens the heart of God. God has compassion.

When you say, "Dear Lord, my heart burns for these poor, lost sinners in trouble; they don't have the peace we have; they are so hounded, so enslaved by their passions and sins. Father, look what terrible ruin they will come to in Hell," the Father says, "That is just the way I feel, too. If you want to help me, I will help you."

A compassionate heart is one of the requirements for the fullness of the Spirit and the power of God. As Jesus was moved with compassion, so we ought to be. It pushed Him out and took Him on through the crucifixion. It ought to be so with us. God give us the compassion of the Spirit of God.

Then Jesus said something strange. "The harvest truly is plenteous." That isn't the way

people usually say it. But the Lord says the trouble is not with the harvest. There is plenty of harvest. The trouble is not with lost people. There are plenty of lost people to be won. The trouble is not with the world, dead in sin. The miracle of God could change it. No, He said the trouble is with the church. The trouble is not with the world, but with the church. The trouble is not with the sinner, but with the saint. The trouble is not with the hearers, but with the preachers. The trouble is not with the Devil's crowd, but with the Lord's crowd.

Second Chronicles 7:14 says, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land." If who? "My people, which are called by my name." If God's people do right, we can have revival. If God's people go after souls, we can get people saved. The harvest is white, the Scripture says.

Some lament, "We are in the closing days of the age. You can't win people now." That is not a reason, but an alibi. In the first place, you don't know whether we are in the closing days or not. Nobody knows. It is not for us to know. In the second place, God's compassion, God's power, God's resources, God's Gospel, and the blessed Holy Ghost have not

changed. Up to the very second before Jesus comes they will not be changed. The harvest is white; the laborers are few, said Jesus.

Our wicked blindness says, "Well, you can't do it here in this place." I hear that everywhere I go. "You can't have the power here. You can't have revival here. The people here are different. It is getting hard to have revival." It is not getting hard; it has always been hard. It has always been impossible without the power of God, and unless God works a miracle, unless God helps you do what you can't do without Him. Oh, the fields are white to harvest!

Just a few minutes ago I talked to one of our workers who said, "When we went to the jail last night, four got saved. Thursday we had another man saved." At Wednesday night prayer meeting two others told how they went to a home and a fifteen-year-old girl was saved. The fields are white. You can't get everybody, but you can get somebody.

I am so ashamed when I remember how often I have let opportunities pass.

A man on the Santa Fe train was broken up because his wife had died, and he was taking her body to California for burial. I had a Bible, so he asked me if I were a preacher. He had to ask me to show him how to be saved. I did, in the lounge car on the Santa Fe train on the other side

of Kansas City. Another time a whole family wanted to be saved, so drove from Ohio to Wheaton to see me, some 350 miles. Don't tell me nobody wants to be saved. There are plenty of people who do.

In Winston-Salem, North Carolina, I preached on soul winning. A woman went home and talked to her own father, sixty-four years of age, and then called us at 11:30 p. m. to come, and she said, "Dad now wants to be saved." We won him to Christ, and in six months he was in Heaven.

God's plan is to go get them. The harvest is so white. Jesus said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

—The End—

## A Strange Family

The father has not missed church in 23 years. A son has not missed in 12 years. A daughter has not missed an evening service in 8 years. The mother has a perfect record for 11 years.

What's the matter with this family? Don't they ever have company? Aren't they ever tired on Sunday morning? Don't they ever have headaches or nervous spells or family reunions or picnics or anything? Don't they have a radio and television so they can get good sermons from outside preachers? What's the matter with them?

Perhaps they are remembering the price Christ paid for their salvation.

—The Evangel.

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